

This week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester

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Prayer for the Week

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering

Gwen Leather: Marilyn Dorum: Margaret Norman: Mollie Drake and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Mark Sadler: Ann Blanchard: Anthony Green:
Josephine Chizema: Kath Higginson: Gillian Boorne:
Peter Relph: Nicola Shilton: Anne Sylvester: Nina French
Rev'd Helen Newman (recently Chaplain at LOROS and
Co-Warden at Launde Abbey)

Rest in Peace

lain Davidson: Michael Hardy (former Curate of St. James the Greater)

The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by Julia Walker.

08.30 Welcome to St James the Greater Holy Communion

Common Worship Order One (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Jane Sharp
Assisted by: Sheila Roberts
Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

10.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Reverend Philip Norwood Assisted by: Margaret Sharman

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Servers: Charles Samuel, William Simpey and William Woolley Setting: Mass in the Dorian Mode - Cabena. Gloria: Chanted

OPENING HYMN 362 GLORIA

Come, let us join our cheerful songs Chanted

READING Genesis 32.22-31

read by Jennifer Smith

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' ²⁷So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' ²⁸Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

GRADUAL HYMN 744 i

O God of Bethel, by whose hand

GOSPEL Luke 18.1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so

that she may not wear me out by continually coming." ⁶ And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

SERMON
INTERCESSIONS
OFFERTORY HYMN 448 i
ANTHEM
POST COMMUNION HYMN 689

The Reverend Philip Norwood
The Reverend Philip Norwood
I come with joy, a child of God
Author of life divine - McDowall
Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts

Post Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

BLESSING

HYMN 739 (i)

Now thank we all our God

ORGAN VOLUNTARY - J. Langlais, Acclamations Carolingiennes - 'Christus Vincit'

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

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Everyone is invited for refreshments after the service.

The Vicar Writes

I wonder if we often think of persistence as a spiritual virtue? It's not like humility, or generosity, or that great catch-all, love. But it definitely is of great spiritual patience. The ability to stick with situations, practices or even people who may not be easy or bringing quick results is vital for Christian community and healthy prayer life. Don't give up!



18.30

Choral Evensong

See order of service card

Officiant: Mike Rule

Churchwarden: Simon Edwards and April Rule

Server: William Woolley

HYMN 246 CONFESSION

PRECES

PSALM 149

FIRST LESSON Nehemiah 8.9-18

Holy Spirit come, confirm us see service card

Ferial

see music sheet

read by Paul Jenkins

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.' ¹¹So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, 'Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved.' ¹²And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had understood the words that were declared to them.

13 On the second day the heads of ancestral houses of all the people, with the priests and the Levites, came together to the scribe Ezra in order to study the words of the law. 14And they found it written in the law, which the LORD had commanded by Moses, that the people of Israel should live in booths during the festival of the seventh month, 15 and that they should publish and proclaim in all their towns and in Jerusalem as follows, 'Go out to the hills and bring branches of olive, wild olive, myrtle, palm, and other leafy trees to make booths, as it is written.' 16So the people went out and brought them, and made booths for themselves, each on the roofs of their houses, and in their courts and in the courts of the house of God, and in the square at the Water Gate and in the square at the Gate of Ephraim. ¹⁷And all the assembly of those who had returned from the captivity made booths and lived in them; for from the days of Jeshua son of Nun to that day the people of Israel had not done so. And there was very great rejoicing. ¹⁸And day by day, from the first day to the last day, he read from the book of the law of God. They kept the festival for seven days; and on the eighth day there was a solemn assembly, according to the ordinance.

MAGNIFICAT

Chanted - see music sheet

SECOND LESSON John 16.1-11

read by Andrew Curry

'I have said these things to you to keep you from stumbling. ²They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, an hour is coming when those who kill you will think that by doing so they are offering worship to God. ³And they will do this because they have not known the Father or me. ⁴But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

NUNC DIMITTIS - HYMN 396

THE CREED

RESPONSES

ANTHEM

PRAYERS

HYMN 269

SERMON

HYMN 238 i

Faithful vigil ended see service card, p 3

Ferial

A Clare Benediction – Rutter

Mike Rule

Can we by searching find out God

Mike Rule

Come down, O Love Divine

DISMISSAL Plainsong

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – L. Vierne, Symphonie 3, Adagio

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The Week Ahead

Wednesday

21.00 **Compline** via Zoom. To join, please use the link or codes below: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81223707587?pwd=QllYYWRvUWNISWt3dnhUb3p3aFJRdz09

Meeting ID: 812 2370 7587 Passcode: t4FaJw

Thursday

10.30 Holy Communion

President: The Reverend Jane Sharp. Assisted by: Janet Burton

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the church

Sunday Next - Trinity 19

08.30 **Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

10.30 **Sung Eucharist** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Isaiah 45.22-25 and Luke 4.16-24

18.30 Choral Evensong Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

ALL SOULS REQUIEM Please give names of those to be remembered at this service on 30th October to the Vicar or the church office by Sunday 23rd October.

RIGOLETTO After the successful performances of Verdi's opera 'Rigoletto', by the Knighton Chamber Orchestra and Opera conducted by Paul Jenkins, the sum of £2,000 was kindly donated to church funds. We are most grateful to Paul Jenkins and all the performers for their hard work in staging an opera in St. James for the first time ever. All those attending thoroughly enjoyed the evenings.

HONEY Caroline Beardsmore's bees have had a productive season and she is selling honey in aid of the DEC appeal for people affected by devastating floods in Pakistan. Each jar of honey contains 454 g (1 lb) and costs £6. Caroline will have honey for sale after the 10.30 am service today.

THE SHELL We would like to include articles in the next edition of the magazine with people's memories of seeing or meeting Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, as well as anything else you may like to be published. The deadline for any contributions to the next edition of 'The Shell' is Friday 4th November. Please send items for inclusion to the church office by post or E-mail or to Paul Jenkins at editor@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

STAMPS FOR CHARITY Please bring donations of stamps to help raise money for Inter Care and put them in the box provided. As the stamp design will be changing, the current ones will become more valuable.

COMMON CUP Wine is available for all who feel ready to receive in this way. Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) will not be used. Some people will quite reasonably not feel comfortable receiving the wine at this time, and there is of course absolutely no compulsion – receiving the bread alone remains a full and valid form of Communion. Since we are unsure how many want to receive the wine, we are asking those intending to receive it, to place a red token into a small basket, which is on the large table at the back of church near the font before taking their seat, so appropriate quantities can be consecrated.

EVENSONG SERVICES

Over the summer we have undertaken a review of our Evensong services and are experimenting with some changes over a trial period until October half term. Roughly alternate weeks, the choir will sing the Canticles or Responses as a set (so either both the Preces and Responses or both the Magnificat and the Nunc Dimittis). The other weeks will be as before with congregation joining in on one out of the set. We will also be introducing an additional hymn to encourage congregational participation during this service. We would appreciate constructive feedback as we try out this new style of worship.

JUNIOR CHOIR AND RECRUITMENT - CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to help to encourage children to sing in our new Junior Choir there are a few rewarding volunteer opportunities available:

The Junior Choir will meet on Fridays at 4.30pm-6.00pm, so supervision will be needed from safely recruited adults for the Friday practices and during Sunday services. If a few people sign up, this could be done on a rota system. If you'd like to find out more, please see the information and sign-up sheets on the back table, talk to or contact Emma Trounson.

Please talk to or email Emma Trounson – <u>dom@stjamesthegreater.org.uk</u> to find out more or **sign up on the sheets at the back of church if you can help.**

ST JAMES' YOUTH GROUP

Meeting alternate Wednesdays **from 7:30-9pm**. All young people in years 8-13 are welcome to join us for games, food and a short discussion based on a Bible passage. Next meeting is on October 26th. Term cards are also now available to pick up from the back of church or in the music room.

FORTHCOMING CONCERTS

Saturday 29th October at 7 pm. The Kibworth Ladies Choir will be joined by the Leicestershire Police Choir for an evening of contemporary and classic songs. Tickets are £10 and available in advance from 07718 404046 or by sending an E-mail to kibworthladieschoir@outlook.com Tickets will also be sold on the door.

Saturday 12th November at 7.30 pm. City of Leicester Singers perform Mozart's Missa Brevis in G, Litaniae Lauretanae, Ave Verum Corpus, Exsultate Jubilate, Vesperae solennes de confessore. Tickets are £12 and available on the door.

Resources for Home Worship

Broadcast Media

Daily Service Monday – Friday at 9.45 am Radio 4 LW
Choral Evensong Wednesday at 4 pm and Sunday at 3 pm Radio 3
Sunday Worship Sunday at 8.10 am Radio 4
Songs of Praise Sunday at 1.15 pm BBC I

Online at www.churchofengland.org and www.leicestercathedral.org

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